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1. PURSUANT DEPARTMENT'S DESIRE EXPRESSED REF A
THAT MESSAGES ON PL 480 TITLE I FOR EGYPT BE SENT
STADIS, I HAVE SENT LATEST EMBASSY ANALYSIS (REFTEL B)
IN THAT CHANNEL. IT WILL BE APPRECIATED, OF COURSE, THAT
DETAILED PREPARATION OF JUSTIFICATION STATEMENT FOR
ADDITIONAL WHEAT INCREMENT ARE PREPARED AT THIS POST
BY THE EXPERTS, I.E. AGATT AND AID PERSONNEL. HENCE
SOME OF THE MATERIAL CONTAINED IN SUCH ANALYSES MAY WELL
GO DIRECTLY TO USDA THROUGH OTHER REPORTS. HOWEVER,
INASMUCH AS AGATT SHARES OUR VIEW THAT RECENT USDA
MESSAGES ON WHEAT AND RELATED FOOD ITEMS ARE
INCONSISTENT WITH WHAT HE AND OTHERS HAD EARLIER
BEEN TOLD IN WASHINGTON, HE HAS BEEN AND CONTINUES TO BE A MAJOR
CONTRIBUTOR TO OUR EFFORTS DEVELOP STRONGEST POSSIBLE JUSTIFICATION
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FOR SUCH AN ADDITIONAL WHEAT INCREMENT THAT WE CAN OFFER IN
ABSENCE HARD GOE DATE.

2. BEST INFORMATION WE HAVE ON WHEAT AND WHEAT FLOUR SITUATION
IS THAT CONTAINED PARA 6, REFTEL B. HOPE THIS INFORMATION
IS USEFUL AND APPRECIATE YOUR EFFORTS ON OUR BEHALF.

3. WE ARE ATTEMPTING ASCERTAIN FROM MINSUPPLY AND FROM
ROME EXACTLY WHAT, IF ANYTHING, GOE HAS DONE TO
SEEK RENEGOTIATIONS UMR IN FAO/CSD. WILL ADVISE WHEN
WE HAVE FURTHER INFORMATION.
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